

### PHAP19-00006

Date: February 11, 2019

Application Type: Certificate of Appropriateness

**Property Owner: Representative:**Julio Villanueva
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Legal Description: 14 Manhattan Heights 12 & 13 & W. 1/2 of 14, City of El Paso, El Paso

County, Texas

Historic District: Manhattan Heights
Location: Manhattan Heights
3134 Wheeling Avenue

Representative District: #2

**Existing Zoning:** R-3/H (Residential/Historic)

**Year Built:** 1922

Historic Status: Contributing

**Request:** Certificate of Appropriateness for the removal of a door on the main

façade and infilling with brick

**Application Filed:** 1/28/2019 **45 Day Expiration:** 3/14/2019

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### GENERAL INFORMATION:

The applicant seeks approval for:

Certificate of Appropriateness for the removal of a door on the main façade and infilling with brick

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

The Historic Preservation Office recommends APPROVAL WITH A MODIFICATION of the proposed scope of work based on the following recommendations:

The Design Guidelines for El Paso's Historic Districts, Sites, and Properties recommend the following:

- The recurrent alteration of solids and voids (walls to windows and doors) in the façade of a building establishes a pattern. Architectural elements such as walls, porches, dormers, windows and doors should maintain the pattern and rhythm of the existing buildings.
- Doors and windows are considered important character-defining features because of significant detailing.
- The size of the door or window opening should not be altered.
- The use of interior storm windows should be the first consideration because they are more efficient and do not detract from any exterior architectural elements.

The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation recommend the following:

- The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.
- Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced. Where the
  severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature
  shall match the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where
  possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by
  documentary, physical, or pictorial evidence.
- New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property.

The modification is that the door and lintel remain on the exterior but that the door be filled in or a storm window be installed on the interior.

## **AERIAL MAP**



# **EXISTING DOOR**

